

TED KACZYNSKI
to
BEAU FRIEDLANDER

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Dear Beau,

I've just received your letter of October 22. Needless to say, I'm very glad that you and your lawyer have decided that there are no problems with my manuscript as far as libel is concerned.

With regard to copyright infringement, I think it would be a bad idea to ask my brother for the rights, as he will probably do everything he can to obstruct publication of the book, if he knows I'm the author of it. Please do not contact my brother without my permission. I think you and your lawyer should do everything you can to track down that provision in the statute that I mentioned earlier -- that ~~no~~ one can publish letters, regardless of copyright, in order to defend one's reputation. Consult Nimmer on Copyright. Meanwhile, I am writing to my own lawyers to see if they can give me a reference to the point in the statute-books (or in Nimmer on Copyright, or wherever it was) at which we found the provision in question.

Thanks for keeping me abreast of what's going on. For my part, I'll let you know as soon as I get any information from my lawyers about the copyright business.

Best regards,

Ted Kaczynski